

REMARKS

Claims 29-30 are objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. In response, each of independent Claims 1, 16, and 25 have been amended to include the subject matter of Claim 29 with all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. Further, Claims 29-30 have been amended to include a substantial portion of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

An allowance is respectfully requested.

In the event a telephone conversation would expedite the prosecution of this application, the Examiner may reach the undersigned at (408) 505-5100. If any fees are due in connection with the filing of this paper, the Commissioner is authorized to charge such fees to Deposit Account No. 50-1351 (Order No. NA11P309/00.131.02).

Respectfully submitted,


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